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first fan with controllable capacity arranged in a gas outlet in said pulp shredding vessel for evacuation of gas therefrom, a second fan with controllable capacity arranged in a gas outlet in said reaction vessel for evacuation of gas therefrom, a first pressure sensor for sensing the gas pressure in said pulp shredding vessel, a second pressure sensor for sensing the gas pressure in said reaction vessel, and a regulation unit which in response to said first and second pressure sensors, respectively, regulates the capacity of said first and second fans, respectively.

REMARKS

The above-noted cancellation of claims 1-10, and addition of new claims 11-22, as well as the submission of a new Abstract and revisions to the Specification, are respectfully submitted prior to initiation of the prosecution of this application in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

The above-noted new claims are respectfully submitted in order to more clearly and appropriately claim the subject matter which applicant considers to constitute his inventive contribution. No new matter is included in these amendments. In addition, the revisions to the Abstract and Specification are submitted in order to clarify and correct the Abstract and Specification and to conform them to all of the requirements of U.S. practice. No new matter is included in these amendments.

In view of the above, it is respectfully requested that these amendments now be entered, and that prosecution on the merits of this application now be initiated. If, however, for any reason the Examiner does not believe such action can be taken, it is respectfully requested that he telephone applicant's attorney at (908) 654-5000 in order to overcome any objections which he may have.

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If there are any additional charges in connection with this requested amendment, the Examiner is authorized to charge applicant's Deposit Account No. 12-1095 therefor.

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